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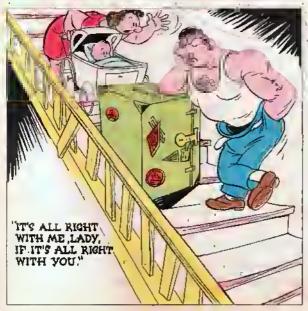




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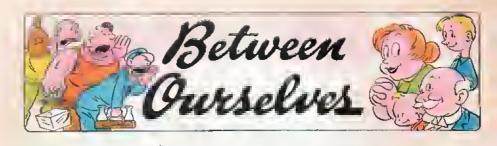
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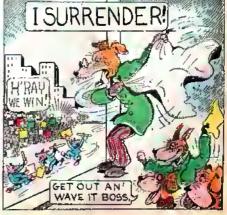


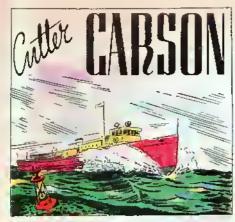












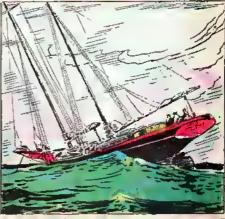






















SURE, CAPN.

ONE OF OUR MEN SHOVED



























I OUGHT TO LET



OLE HOSS, THE LAW CAN'T DO MUCH WITH

DID YOU SEE THAT RANGER'S FACE AIN'T A THING HE CAN DO NOBODY WILL SWEAR IT WAS US

IF THEY DO. WE'LL PLUG ONE OR TWO OF 'EM



EITHER YUH PAYS OR YUH'LL BE SORRY I WANT GOLD TO LET YUH STAY IN BUSINESS

BUT THAT'S OUR SCHEME YUH CAN'T HORN IN.



I'LLBE BACK IN TWO DAYS FER THE GOLD PAY UP OR YUH'LL GET WORSE.



STOP IT TEL PAY YUH

I ALWAYSAIMS TO PLEASE. I'LL BE BACK IN TWO DAYS AND IF YUH TELLS THE LAW, I'LL DRILL YUH.



IT'S THAT STABLE OWNER THE MASK AIN'T FOOLIN' ME NONE

HE LIVES KINDA FAR OUT LET'S FILL HIM



HEARD YUH HAD A LITTLE TROUBLE. THE STABLE WANT TO MAKE A COMPLAINT TUHTHE LAW. BOYS?

IT WAS REILLY, OWNER, WHO-

SHUT UP WE DON'T KNOW WHO DID IT. RANGER, AND WE AINT COMPLAINING



YOU FOOL - TUH TELL THE NEVER THOUGHT O'
RANGER WHAT WE THINK
WANT TUH GET SHOT UP?

THAT WE GOT TUH
GET REILLY AFORE
HE GETS US







BEEN INVESTIGATIN', BOYS HEAR TELL ABOUT SOMEBODY WHAT'S GOIN' TO DO SOME LEAD THROWIN' IF YUH AIN'T GONE BY SUNUP.



THIS HERE TIN MULE BUCKS LIKE BYNAMITE, BUT SHE SHORE CAN TRAVEL THEM BUZZARDS ARE STILL WONDERIN' HOW I BEAT 'EM BACK































SAMUEL F.B. MORSE

HE WAS BORN IN CHARLESTOWN MASS, UNTIL HE WAS FORTY-ONE HIS TIME AND ATTENTION WAS GIVEN TO THE ART OF PAINTING. While on his way home from Europe he was inspired with The idea of telegraphy.



THE POSSIBILITIES OF ELECTRICAL COMMUNICATION SO POSSESSED HIS MIND THAT HE SET ABOUT TO PERFECT AN INSTRUMENT THAT WOULD TRANSMIT MESSAGES ELECTRICALLY THE WAY WAS LONG AND DIFFICULT. HE FACED POVERTY EVEN STARVATION BUT TACED THEM ONLY WITH GREATER DETERMI NATION THE PERFECTION OF THE INSTR MENT ITSELF WAS ONLY HALF THE BATTLE MEN WERE SKEPTICAL THEY WOULD NOT PUT THEIR MONEY INTO THE INVENTION. AND THEN FINALLY, WHEN HE WAS FIFTY THREE SUCCESS CAME WITH THE SENDING

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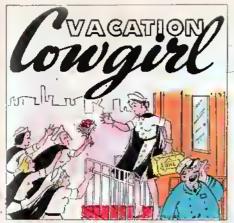




























































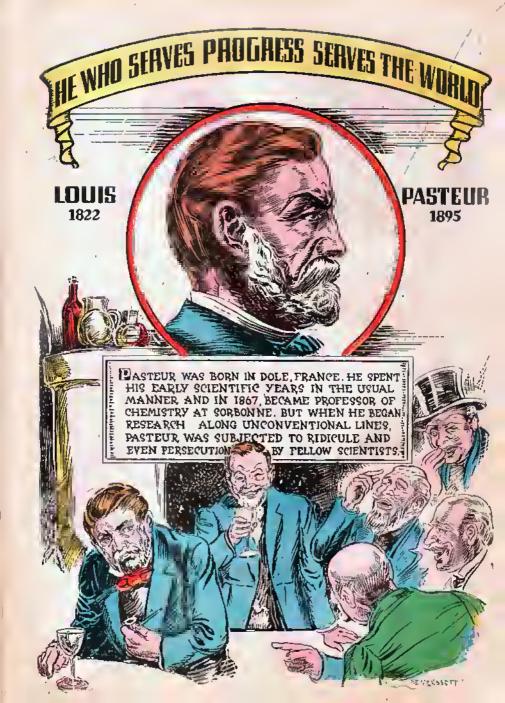






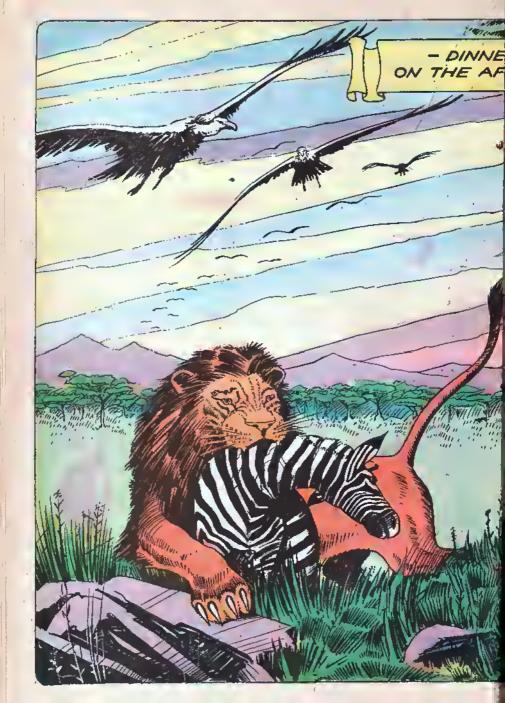




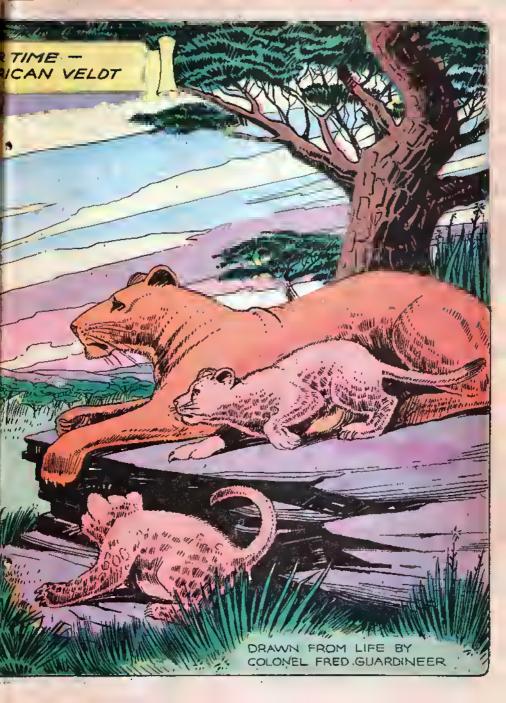


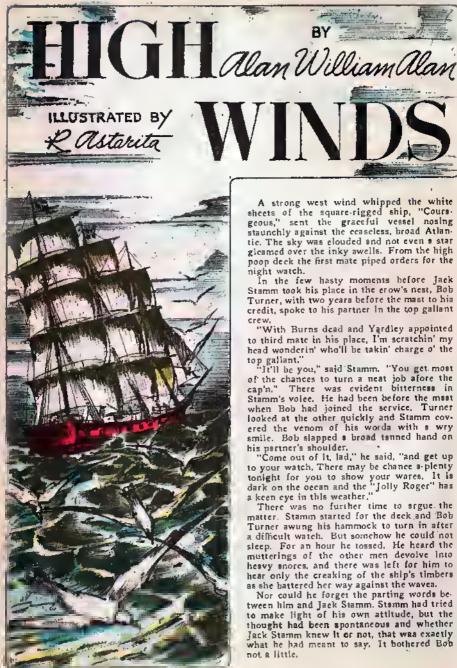
## THE DEVELOPMENT OF PASTEORIZATION











A strong west wind whipped the white sheets of the square-rigged ship, "Coursgeous," sent the graceful vessel nosing staunchly against the ceaseless, broad Atlantic. The sky was clouded and not even a star gleamed over the inky awells. From the high poop deck the first mate piped orders for the night watch.

In the few hasty moments before Jack Stamm took his place in the erow's nest, Bob Turner, with two years before the mast to his credit, spoke to his partner in the top gallant

"With Burns dead and Yardley appointed to third mate in his place, I'm scratchin' my head wonderin' who'll be takin' charge o' the

top gallant."

"It'll be you," said Stamm. "You get most of the chances to turn a neat job afore the can'n." There was evident bitterness in Stamm's voice. He had been before the most when Bob had joined the service. Turner looked at the other quickly and Stamm covered the venom of his words with a wry smile. Bob slapped a broad tanned hand on his partner's shoulder.

"Come out of It, lad," he said, "and get up to your watch. There may be chance a plenty tonight for you to show your wares. It is dark on the ocean and the "Jolly Roger" has a keen eye in this weather."

There was no further time to argue the matter. Stamm started for the deck and Bob Turner awang his hammock to turn in after a difficult watch. But somehow he could not sleep. For an hour he tossed. He heard the mutterings of the other men devolve into heavy snores, and there was left for him to hear only the creaking of the ship's timbers as she battered her way against the wavea.

Nor could he forget the parting words between him and Jack Stamm. Stamm had tried to make light of his own attltude, but the thought had been spontaneous and whether Jack Stamm knew it or not, that was exactly what he had meant to say. It bothered Bob not a little.

It grew stuffy, 100, below the decks, unromfortable. Bob rose to his cloow, looked about him in the darkness. All the rest were sleeping and to break the monotony of their heavy breathing there was only the slap of the sea against the ship. Bob got stealthily from his hammork, stole noiselessly 10 the forward deck. Outside salt spray struck his face and he drew the fresh air deep into his lungs.

A fairly heavy sea was running and he made his way cautiously in the shadow blacker than the night, beneath the straining fore-

yard, to the side of the ship.

Pierring his eyes through the darkness, he saw a black object arross the waves. It carried no lights, yet Bob knew it was a ship. He waited, expecting to hear a warning from Jack high above him. No word eame. The object grew clearer until Bob could detect the swaying motion as it quartered into the sea's trough. Without waiting, he caught the rigging, swung to the rope ladder and climbed upward.

"Jack!" he called. "A ship off the stern on

the port side! Give warning . . ."

Above Bob could hear the mustrred exclamation of surprise escape Stamm's lips. Bob called again . . .

"No! I'll report personally . . . They're 100

close . . . They may hear you!"

Turner did not hesitate, but descended to the derk, went sternward to the raptain's cabin, pounded on the door.

"Who's there!" The captain's voice sound-

ed a bit drowsy.

"Seaman Turner, Sir! A ship to the stern

port!"

The rapiain growled an oath and then he said, "Report to Mr. Yardley and wait for or-

ders."

Bob delivered the mrssage with a high heart. Doubtless the ship had been warned just in time and he took pride in the fart that he had been the instrument of delivering the word. The command of all hands on deck spread rapidly and Bob took his place beside the others as they watched the now plain outlines of the black ship awooping down upon them.

"Keep out of sight until they are along side," came the word to the nervous cars waiting in the darkness. "Then give 'em a

broadside."

The ship moved gracefully beside the "Courageous" and a rope was thrown into her rigging.

"Fire I"

The command carried through the night and flints were struck. A terrifir boom of rannon and the rrash of splintered wood rent all other sounds into oblivion. There was a fierce gutteral ery from the enemy ship as they swarmed over the sides, bright knives and rutlasses flashing. Pistois barked and snapped. Men fought hand to hand on a blood-strewn deck.



Bob sprang into the fray, wrenched a knife from the hands of one of the pirates, slashed madly out before him, moving more against the shadows than against any definite outline of human being, fighting blindly and

bravely.

Suddenly he noticed that the stern of the pirate ship had been lashed to the stern of the "Courageous." He left the fighting, sprang forward and ran toward the poop deck, The captain, beside the boatswain, was shouting orders. Swarthy men whose faces shone blacker in the night elambered over the sides of the ship. Bob sprang at them, lashing our feroclously, punching, kicking, weaving his body. Then heavy arms grabbed at his throat and he went down. But the men had the ship under control now and they awarmed back to the rescue of the captain, and incidentally, Bob Turner.

When it was over Bob's arm was badly cut and he went forward where the ship's doctor was bandaging the wounded. As he reached the forward deek Jack Stamm was springing down from the ladder and Bob noticed that his clothes were not wrinkled. Bob turned away, not wanting to apeak to him, for he felt a certain shame for the partner who had been too cowardly to fight. Jack Stamm evidently had other things than Bob on his mind, too, for he went immediately toward

the stern of the ahip.

It was not until the following morning that Bob felt the full sting of the results of his actions of the night before. He was called to the captain's eabin and he went sternward with a song in his heart. He knocked and entered at the captain's command. Inside the door he stood erect, saluted.

Captain Halford was a big man, hard of muscle and broad of shoulder, with gray eyes somewhat darker than the gray at his temples. He had a firm mouth, that drooped at the corners with a tinge of severity. Yet, all in all, he gave the appearance of being a just man.

"It has been reported, Sir, that you were

out of your quarters last night."

Bob's head spun about him, for the shock of the captain's criticism, coming unexpectedly in place of some praise and recognition for his services, caught him completely off guard.

"But, Sir . . . "

The sharp eyes of the captain snapped coldly. "I said I have a report that you were out of your quarters. Is it true?"

"Yes, Sir," said Bob. His jaw tightened as he realized that no one but Jack Stamm would have been likely to report hlm.

"You know, of course, that it is against the rules of the ship?" Cappain Halford did not wait for an answer, but continued. "And when the warning was given from the lookout you ran to me with the message, hoping to atone for being found on deck by giving the impression that you were the one to sight the attacking vessel."

"But I did, Sir . . ." Bob's blood was boiling and his defiant tone did not escape Hal-

ford's notice.

"Enough!" The captain said curtly, "You will report under the command of Mr. Stamm for orders concerning the work of the fore top gallant erew. He is now in charge of those duties."

Bob held his breath, knowing that to say more would only injure his otherwise good standing. He saluted again. The captain





turned away, then edded as an afterthought, "Your work last night in the fighting was commendable. Otherwise punishment would now be mered out to you."

"Thank you, Sir," Bob sald, He turned quickly when released, so that the emptain would not see the blur of rage before his

When he reached the forward deek, Stamm was alone standing under the foremast, the forward crew being busy with the routine of awabbing the decks. Bob went up to him, his eyes blazing.

"After getting you out of a hole last night. Jack, the best you can do is report me!" His words were heated, carrying a mixture

of anger and regret.

Stamm's cheek bones reddened and he

avoided Bob's eves.

"You will call me 'Mr. Stamm' from now on, Turner," he answered. "No doubt the captain has told you that I am in command

of the fore top gallant."

Bob drew his eyes from the other's face and without further words went to the crew and began to work viciously. From then on Jack Stamm began to feel overbearingly the glory of his promotion. His orders were always curt and soon the men began to talk among themselves about him. As time went on he seemed to try to cover the fact of his ungallant action against his former crew partner by remaining aloof from Bob and giving him duties noticeably harder than those of the rest of the men. If the crew found it necessary to reef in the top gallant, Bob always found himself assigned to the outward end of the yard arm, where the wind swept dangerous currents and the blow against the sail was not always suic. A sharp outward gust toward the sea might take him into the waves below. But Bob knew his job, however, and made certain to be eareful.

They had been twenty days in the north Atlantic when the barometer began to drop and the sea to swell. Up to this time the winds had been shifting but the weather cleac. Except for the affair with the pirate ship, the

trip had been comparatively easy.

Already they were nearing the Azores on their way to the Mediterranean to join Preble's fleet against Tripoli. But now a storm was making up, which, from all indi-

cations, promised to be a heavy one.

Ordera came to reef in the mizzen and main sails. The fore, jib and topsails were flung fully to the wind, in the hope that they might ride through as much of the journey as pos-sible before the storm broke. They had little time to ride, however, before the full fury of the wind began to make itself felt. The waves increased in size and the bow of the "Courageous' nosed into mountainous seas, struggling to the surface with an additional weight of tons of cold green water, which washed back across the deck and smashed against the forecasts. Hardly had the wash from one wave rumbled across the decks before another caught the wessel amidship and battered over her rails.

Three men were now at the wheel and having a hard time to keep from foundering. The excess canvas dove the nose deep and every moment there seemed to be little hope to keep from rolling into the trough of the sea. Hatches were tightly fastened, yet should a single hatch give way under the terrific bombardment of angry ocean, the hold would soon fill and the ship would be lost.

The crews united and finally worked down the foresail and the topsails of the main and mizzen masts before the heavy winds began to load rain and sleet down in torrents. There remained now only the fore top gallant to remove, to make the ship reasonably able to

ride out the storm.



Then suddenly, even through the roar of the storm came the horrified cry that one of the cannons had broken its stays and was rolling haphazardly across the decks.

Captain Halford, elinging desperately to the life line, made his way slowly forward, ordering the erew to the madly rolling ton of cast iron that bade well to wreck the ship. Men dropped away from the fore deck, elinging desperately to the life lines. Axes in hand they tried to hack away part of the rail, hoping that the cannon might roll out into the sea.

In the meantime the top gallant on the foremast was swinging about as the three men at the wheel found it impossible to hold the ship. The captain piped a desperate order to the howling wind.

"Fore top gallant erew aloft!" he shouted, Bob heard the command and looked hastily around for Jack Stamm. When he couldn't see him anywhere, he made way slowly toward quarters. Below he lound Stamm writhing in pain and holding a bloody hand.



"We're ordered aloft!" Bob shouted,

Jack wineed. "I'm hurt, Bob," he said, "Look. Caught in the rigging!" His hand hung limply, the fingers badly jammed, bleeding. Without waiting Bob rushed to the deck. He went at once to the eaptain who stood, holding to the cat walk at the ship's side, waist deep in rushing water. His loudest voice was but a whisper in the captain's ear.

"Stamm is hurt, Sir! Shall I take charge of

the top gallant?"

The captain hesitated but a moment, then tightened his lips. The rest of the top gallant crew were making their way toward them in labored, cautious, strides. "Follow me," Halford ordered. He began to climb up the icy ropes. Bob followed numbly conscious that the responsibility of taking charge of the crew had been denied him. The other men came after. They were all able bodied seamen, but none of the crew had shown any evidence of being able to take command of a critical situation. Step by step they made their way up the sleet-and-wind-whipped ropes, knowing that one slip would send them to a cold uncharted grave. Only once did Bob look below him. The decks were still awash and the crew at the cannon seemed to be weaving a dizzy pattern after the iron. Yet it seemed to him that somehow by united

effort they had got the thing under a semblance of control.

Far out on the yard arm the captain went, Bob following, with the wind and sleet so heree that they could scarcely hold their places on the cable support beneath them, Whipping his body over the yard arm, the captain began working at the ropes.

There was a lapse of a few seconds, when the wind seemed to be taking another breath. Halford, trying to take advantage of the lessened tautness, slipped his arm beneath the hitch, tried to loosen the lashings. As if waiting to spring a trap, the wind caught the sail, bound the capitain's arm to the yard, threw him from the cable and held him swinging in the air, writhing in pain. Should the wind let up for a second, Halford would go crashing below. If the blow should continue, the arm gradually would be ent off by the terrific pressure of the wind against the canyas.

In a moment, too, the crew would have the ropes loosened. Bob surveyed the situation with bated breath. Having kept with him the knife he had taken from the pirate during the fight, he drew it from his jacket. Face down against the storm, he clung to the mast while the rain beat about him. Grasping the captain under the shoulder, he held tightly to the spar, worked the knife from his fingers and pried gradually against the strands of the rope. Little by little cut into the hemp.

Under the strain of the wind against the canvas, the lashing snapped suddenly, almost spilling Bob out into the sea, as the Captain's arm sprang free. Halford's groans could be heard only as a compliment to the shriek of the wind. The ship dove and rocked with the unmereiful buffeting of the storm. Bobs hoisted the captain on his stomach across the top of the yard arm, wrapped his own arms about him and clawed his lingers into the ropes.

Shouting orders to the crew, he waited, his hands numb with cold, his head spinning with the desperate weight of his responsibility. About him the vicious weather was threatening to send him to the deeks below. Before him was the command of taking in the top gallant sheet, that spelled the only hope of saving the ship. Figures on the deek were small objects of fate, moving slowly, like so many worms in a mud juudile. He rested his thoughts only a moment on Jack Stamm and then forced his mind to other things, for the vision of the man who had lied himself into favor brought a surge of anger and weakness over him.

Somehow the sail finally was close-hauled and the ship seemed to ride more easily, yet her greater buoyaney only Increased her roll and swayed the spar more radially. Stretching his muscles to the utmost, Bob managed to cling to the ropes while he lifted the captain to his shoulder. An inch at a time, he moved toward the mast.





captain to his hammock. Halford sank back and closed his eyes. Bob was breathing heavily as we went up outo the deck. The rest of the erew had conquered the roving cannon, but the weather was still bad and there was work to be done. He made his way toward the stern and reported to Mr. Yardley, the third mate, who, with two others, was doing duty at the wheel.

him immediately to his own quarters. Stamm was there when the two arrived. He turned,

a frightened stare on his lace, as they entered.

Bob took no notice of Stamm, but led the

"Captain Hallord is safe in my quarters,

Sir," Bob said,

Yardley, who had been intent upon his duties, lailed to understand, "Then help out on this wheel, Turner," he ordered, thinking

that Halford had sent Bob aft.

By the end of the day the storm had abated and Bob was relieved of his duty at the wheel. Wearily he went forward over the washed deeks, past the battered masts that stood proudly upward into the clouded sky. The cook's cabiu was a sorry sight, with broken ports and a battered door and kitcheu ware strewn about. He passed them all, searcely noticing, went at ouce to his quarters.

The captain was apparently asleep and Stamm had left. When Bob entered, Hallord

opened his eyes.

"Are you better, Sir?" Bob asked. .

The captain slid from the hammock. "Yes, Turner, thanks to your own great show of bravery." The gray eyes smiled, almost kindly.

"Thank you, Sir," Bob said. The captain's eyes grew sharp again.

"Where is Stamm?" he asked. "Call him here at once." When Staum arrived his face was a blauched

white. He saluted nervously. The gray eyes glittered hard. "Mr. Turner will immediately take com-

mand of the fore top gallant crew," snapped Halford. Stamm swayed a little.

"But, Sir. . . It was an unfortunate accident . . . my haud . . . " he choked

Halford went to Bob's hammock, where he had been lying and brought forth a bloody marliu spike. "With the aid of this, perhaps,". "You injured yourself; so you he said. wouldn't have to go aloft in the storm. I found this hidden, while you thought I was asleep. And I saw you hide it! You will remain in irons for the rest of the voyage!" Stamm gasped.

Hallord continued: "I have been known to excuse a coward for a weakness that may not be wholly his own fault, but a liar . . . ....

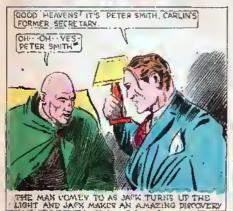
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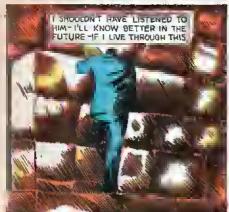


















SILENTLY, JACK ATTACKS THE GUARD, LANDING A BLOW ON THE JAW, THE WEAKEST PART OF HIG BODY.































THE NEXT DAY JACK GUARDS THE ENTRANCE TO THE WHITE HOUSE







TTAND IN HIS OWN DEFENSE.





















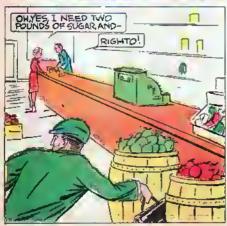


















































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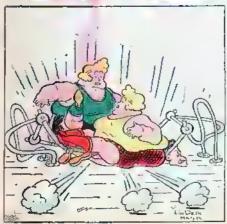
OUR DOMESTIC HOG WILL LIVE AND GRUNT IN HIS STY FOR TWENTY YEARS, IF OUR FARMER, FRIEND DECIDES TO PUT UP WITH HIM THAT LONG.













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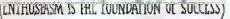


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AFTER YOU,

















































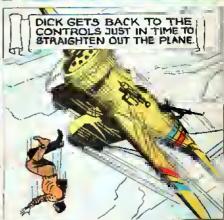
















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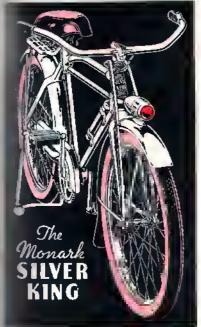




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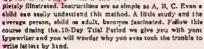
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